## Beef and Salsa Quesadillas

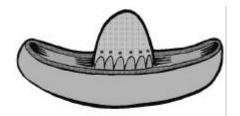
(4 servings)

1	pound ground beef
1-1/2	tablespoons chili powder
1/2	teaspoon ground cumin
10	ounces frozen chopped
	spinach, defrosted & drained
1	cup prepared chunky salsa
2	cups shredded cheese
	(Cheddar or Monterey Jack)
4	medium flour tortillas

- 1. Preheat oven to 375°F.
- 2. Brown ground beef over medium heat, 8 to 10 minutes or until 160°F. Drain.
- 3. Season beef with chili powder, cumin, salt and pepper.
- 4. Stir in spinach and salsa; heat through.
- 5. Remove from heat; add cheese.
- Spoon 1 cup beef mixture on center of tortilla.
- 7. Cover with second tortilla.
- 8. Repeat alternating remaining tortillas and meat mixture.
- 9. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until tortillas are slightly brown.
- 10. Cut tortillas into wedges.

#### **Nutritional Information Per Serving:**

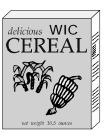
Calories 673; Protein 50Gm; Carbohydrate 24Gm; Fat 42Gm; Sodium 950mg.



### **WIC Cereal Trail Mix**

(12 servings)

- 1 cup Life cereal
- 1 cup Corn Chex cereal
- 1 cup pretzels
- 1 cup dry roasted peanuts\*
- 1 cup raisins



- 1. Mix ingredients together in a large bowl.
- 2. Store in an airtight container.
- Any of the WIC dry cereals can be substituted.
- \* Omit peanuts for any child under 3 years

#### **Nutritional Information Per Serving:**

Calories 109; Protein 3Gm; Carbohydrates 9Gm; Fat 3Gm.

## **Muffin-Size Meatloaves**

Preparation time: 15 minutes Baking time: 30 minutes

8 servings – 1 muffin meatloaf each

- 1 pound lean ground beef
- 1/4 cup dry vegetable soup mix
- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 cup tomato juice or vegetable juice

nonstick cooking spray

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
- 2. Mix first five ingredients together in a mixing bowl.
- Spray 8 muffin cups with cooking spray. Mound the meatloaf mixture up in the prepared cups, smoothing the tops. Bake for 30 minutes or until the center of the meatloaf is 160° F.

#### **Nutritional Information Per Serving:**

Calories 166; Protein 11Gm; Carbohydrates 47Gm; Fat 16Gm. Sodium 242 mg.

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#### What Does Iron Do For Me?

Everyone needs iron. Iron helps prevent anemia, which makes a person tired, irritable, pale, and short of breath. Children with iron deficiency anemia score lower on tests and are poorer learners.

Some of the causes of anemia are:

- Heavy Blood Loss
- Frequent Pregnancies
- Poor Diet



Liver is a high source of iron & vitamin A. Liver is not recommended for pregnant women because it is such a high source of the type of vitamin A that can cause birth defects. Other food sources that contain both iron & vitamin A do not cause birth defects.

#### **Helpful Hints**

Include vitamin C – rich foods with meals.

- Vitamin C helps the body to use iron better.
- Iron from animal foods such as meat is absorbed by the body easier than iron from plant foods.
- Cooking high acid foods (such as tomatoes in spaghetti sauce or chili) in iron pots increases the amount of iron in foods.
- Infants who are not breastfed need to be fed iron-fortified formula.

#### Be Careful!

Too much iron can be harmful. Do not misuse iron pills. Be careful to store pills that contain iron (such as prenatal vitamins with iron) out of a child's reach.

# Pump Up Your Body With These Iron Rich Foods!

# One high source meets your daily iron needs.

- Pork Liver & Heart
- Chicken Liver
- Beef Kidney
- Super Fortified Cereals: (Look for labels that say 100% U.S. RDA for iron in 1 ounce.)

# Two good sources meet your daily iron needs.

- Beef Liver
- Pork Kidney
- Fortified Cereals: (Look for labels that say 45 50% U.S. RDA for iron in 1 ounce.)

# Have a variety of 5 or more fair sources to meet your daily iron needs.

Prune Juice	Lima Beans				
Red Meats	Lentils				
Liverwurst	Eggs				
Molasses	Spinach				
Dried Fruit: Raisins, Peaches, Apricots, Prunes, Dates					
Enriched or Whole Grain: Pasta, Rice, Bread, & other cereals					